

AWFUL HOLocaust.

Flames in a Fireworks-Factory Cause

Death and Destruction.

FOURTEEN DEAD AND SIX INJURED

Eleven Almost Instantly Killed, and

Three Expire Later.

THREE DISTINCT EXPLOSIONS.

The Building Blown to Atoms and the

Neighborhood Shaken.

DEAD BODIES DISFIGURED.

Two Heads Blown Off and One Man

Burned to a Crisp.

HEAVY LOSS OF PROPERTY.

Factories and Dwellings Concerned—Losses

and Insurance—Condition of

the Injured.

PETERSBURG, VA., April 7.—(Special.)

A fire, resulting in loss of life and property,

occurred here this afternoon.

THE KILLED.

The killed are:

JOHN B. BLAND, tobaccoist;

CHARLES N. ROMANINE, manufac-

turer of fireworks;

CAPTAIN JAMES T. TOSH;

ROBERT ROLAND, spectator;

JAMES ROLAND, Prince George county;

JAMES PERKINS, employee, head

blower off;

EDWARD TRAYLOR, employee;

THOMAS WOLFFORD (colored), engi-

neer, burned to a crisp;

JAMES BRYANT, spectator (fatally);

JOHN WELLS;

JOHN HARRIS;

Two bodies, so disfigured as not to be

recognizable.

And one colored boy.

INJURED.

The wounded are:

EDGAR FARLEY, chief engineer,

deafly;

CHARLES FARLEY, seriously;

WILLIAM PARKER, seriously;

QUINCY LUFFEY, seriously;

SAM DREW (colored), badly;

W. M. BELMONT, badly;

WALTER NUNNALLY, badly.

WHERE IT BEGAN.

The fire originated in the fireworks-

factory of the Messrs. Romaine Brothers,

in Blanford, from which are distributed

throughout the country some of the finest

fireworks manufactured. Of course, in

a large quantity of powder, used for

manufacturing purposes, slight fires

have occurred in this factory before, but

they have always been suppressed by

prompt action. It was with the hope

and expectation of suppressing this fire

that so many people who went to help

to extinguish the flames were killed and

injured. The fireworks consisted of a

number of buildings, some fifteen or

twenty, a few feet apart, in each of

which only one party worked; a store-

house, in which the combustibles were

kept, and a packing-room for the storage

of the manufactures. They are all small

frame buildings.

ORIGIN UNKNOWN.

The fire is said to have occurred in the

store-room, but how no one seemed to

know. The alarm was turned in at 3

o'clock, and the firemen, Messrs. John B. Bland, Charles N. Romaine, and Captain James T. Tosh

were standing in the neighborhood conversing,

and all three of them happened to be

near the building when the explosion

occurred. The explosion shattered

the building to all in extinguishing the

fire. Other people also congregated, and

all tried by means of buckets of water

to quench the flames.

DEATH! DEATH!

In a few minutes a tremendous explosion

occurred, which shook and startled

the whole neighborhood, and dealt death

to the noble men who were fighting the

fire. The flames had communicated to the

apartment in which the powder and other

combustibles were stored, and the whole

was blown into splinters, and a great hole

was made in the ground.

INSTANTLY KILLED.

Messrs. Bland, Romaine, and Tosh

were instantly killed, and this was the

explosion that killed and wounded the

other men. The body of Captain Tosh

was blown to a distance of only a few

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THE TOILET-TABLE.

Dressed and Padded Home Collections

Seen No More.

MARBLE-TOPPED CASE DONE.

The French Dresser, the Plain Oak Table

or the Ancient Chest of Drawers

Deck the Cover of Beauty.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, April 7.—The toilet-table

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GEN. COXEY'S ARMY.

ITS VANGUARD REACHES WASHING-

TON AND IS JAILED.